



## Gateway Consolidation

Consolidation of Gateway Community College should be complete later this year with 50,000 to 60,000 more square feet of classrooms, labs and learning space for students. Gateway already has the highest enrollment of the state's community colleges and this consolidation will enhance its ability to attract new students.



## High School Students at UNH

The University of New Haven recently joined New Haven's Engineering and Science University Magnet School to allow high school students to take college-level science and math courses tuition-free. This type of collaboration is critical, particularly in areas of academics where, as a country, we have fallen behind.



## Traffic Safety in Westville

This year I co-sponsored legislation to improve pedestrian safety and traffic flow in and through New Haven's Westville section. The neighborhood boasts a thriving business district quite removed from well-known downtown landmarks and would benefit from improved street lighting, enhanced crosswalks, and curb 'bump-outs' to better regulate the speed of traffic.

## Safety Net Reinforced

State funding will underwrite improvements at two facilities operated by New Haven Home Recovery, Inc.. Services available at Careways and Martha's Place are at times literally lifesaving for clients in crisis and desperate for shelter. This funding ensures they will continue to provide refuge for those who are vulnerable.



Above: Fitz Walker, president and CEO of Bartron Medical Imaging, offers a tour of his New Haven research and development facility. Bartron is making good use of state-sponsored economic development programs to expand its business and its workforce in New Haven.

## Real Local Results From Jobs Legislation

As a result of the Jobs Bill that I voted for last October (and helped expand in June), New Haven and West Haven are seeing millions of dollars in new investment and hundreds of new jobs.

Alexion Pharmaceuticals is moving to New Haven with the help of a "First Five" state grant, bringing 350 jobs and creating 300 more by 2017. Globele Energy of New Haven is doubling its workforce, the Mutual Housing Association of South Central Connecticut is hiring five new people, Thermaxx of West Haven is hiring two new people (and keeping 14 others on the payroll), and Barton Medical Imaging of New Haven is hiring and training three new workers under our new STEP-Up program.



Listening to Helen Rosenberg, board vice president of the Westville Village Renaissance Alliance, outside the Lyric Hall in the Westville section of New Haven. We were discussing efforts to revitalize the arts-centered district that were made possible through state "Main Street" funds I helped to secure.



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Talking with Leon of Leon & Oz Car Service in the Hill neighborhood of New Haven about issues facing small businesses in the city.

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## Resources

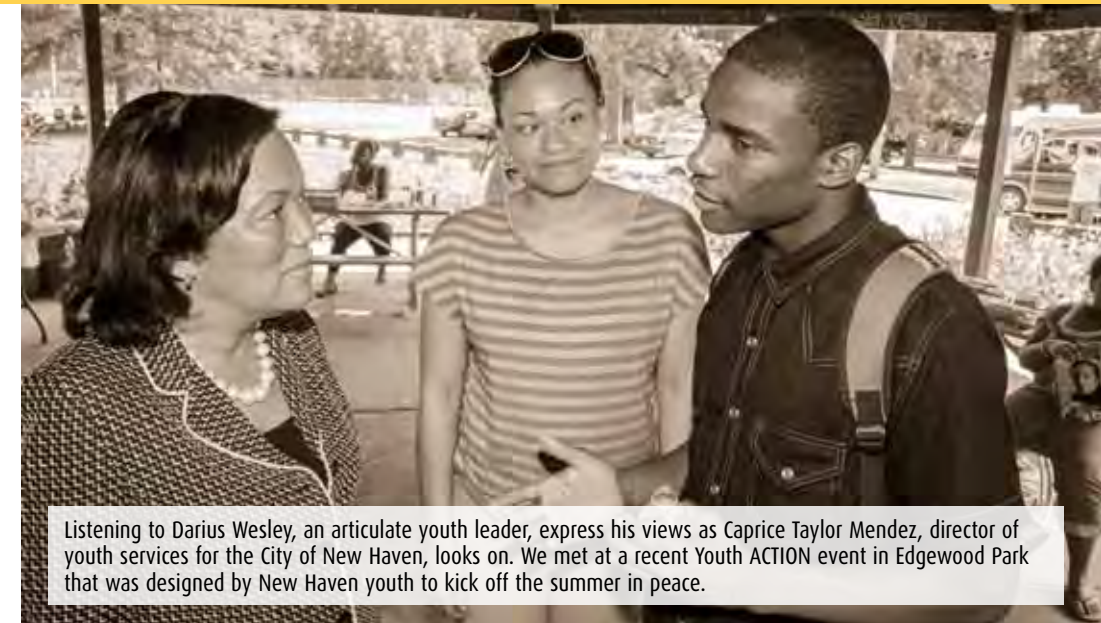
In addition to our work this session, last October we passed a historic, bipartisan Jobs Bill to help small businesses and workers by improving access to capital, job training and education. Below is a list of programs and contact information that could benefit you or someone you know.

- **Job Expansion Tax Credits** for small businesses: [www.decd.org](http://www.decd.org)
- **Small Business Express Package** to get funding for your small business: [www.decd.org](http://www.decd.org), or contact Michelle Lugo at 860-270-8052 or [michelle.lugo@ct.gov](mailto:michelle.lugo@ct.gov)
- **STEP-Up** (Subsidized Training & Employment Programs) provides worker training subsidies for small businesses and small manufacturers: contact Rina Bakalar at the Office for Workforce Competitiveness, 860-263-6523 or [rina.bakalar@ct.gov](mailto:rina.bakalar@ct.gov)
- **Connecticut Reemployment Portal** if you have recently lost a job and are looking for work: [www1.ctdol.state.ct.us/CTReP](http://www1.ctdol.state.ct.us/CTReP)
- **Job & Career Connection** for details on job and training programs: [www.ctjobandcareer.org](http://www.ctjobandcareer.org)

To learn more, visit: [www.senatedems.ct.gov/GrowJobs](http://www.senatedems.ct.gov/GrowJobs)



Listening to Jane Joo and Angel Rodriguez of New Sylvan Cleaners on Dixwell Avenue in New Haven about issues facing small businesses in the city.



Listening to Darius Wesley, an articulate youth leader, express his views as Caprice Taylor Mendez, director of youth services for the City of New Haven, looks on. We met at a recent Youth ACTION event in Edgewood Park that was designed by New Haven youth to kick off the summer in peace.

## Education Reforms

Every child deserves a first-class education. That's why we worked with teachers, education advocates and Governor Malloy to pass a historic education reform plan. It provides interventions and innovative new strategies for high-need schools and support for children and families. It invests in communities and ensures high-quality teaching in the classroom. The new law provides:

- Funding for 1,000 new early childhood slots
- 20 new or expanded school-based health centers
- Kindergarten through third-grade reading programs
- Innovative approaches to teaching English Language Learners
- Increased funding for new and existing Family Resource Centers
- A fair and validated evaluation system that will help teachers improve
- Additional funding to school districts across the state

## Ensuring Accurate Eyewitness IDs

Most people who watch police dramas on television will be familiar with the concept of a lineup. Possible suspects of a crime (or their photos) are shown to a witness, who is then asked to identify the perpetrator. Recent research suggests that when a witness is shown individuals or photos sequentially, rather than all at once, their identifications are much more accurate. We passed a law this year to make this standard police procedure.

## Cracking Down on Racial Profiling

Racial profiling is an injustice that builds mistrust between police and law-abiding citizens. In 1999 I helped pass a law to ban racial profiling in Connecticut. Yet only 27 of 92 police departments in Connecticut are in compliance with this law, so we passed new legislation this year to strengthen it. Police officers must now use a standardized



form to document all traffic stops, which will be analyzed by a well-staffed agency for evidence of racial profiling. Police departments that continue to violate the law may face a reduction in state funds.

## Relief at the Pump

This session I helped pass a comprehensive plan that caps the gross receipts tax by applying it to only the first \$3 a gallon when gas is sold on the wholesale market. The plan also strengthens protections against price gouging, cracks down on oil profiteering, and requires that savings from the cap get passed along to consumers.

We can't affect the price of oil on the international exchange—but we can give our Dept. of Consumer Protection and Attorney General tools to ensure large oil wholesalers don't take advantage of rising prices to unfairly gouge consumers.



A COMMITMENT TO  
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## JOBS

How do you improve on one of the most successful Connecticut job-creation and economic assistance plans ever devised?

You make it available to even more businesses and employees.

This year Senate Democrats expanded the Jobs Bill that we originally approved last October. That means:

- Extending incentives to thousands of additional small and medium size businesses which will lead to more state manufacturers hiring, buying, training and expanding;
- Additional job-training support for post-9/11 combat veterans through the expansion of our new state STEP-Up Program;
- A "Connecticut Made" marketing campaign that advertises and markets locally made products;
- And a stronger "First Five" business incentive program that gives preference to companies that move jobs from overseas back to Connecticut.